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LORD LANSDOWNE's statement in the House of Lords on Tuesday as to the necessity of Great Britain maintaining most cordial relations with Japan is interesting as being the most authoritative declaration on this point made in either House of Parliament for a long time. Whatever may have been the feeling of the majority of Englishmen toward Japan before the China-Japan War—most writers agree that the expectation, though possibly not the hope, in Britain was that China would be victorious—it is certain that the result of the war was to induce an entirely different attitude of mind toward Japanese progress. It was no longer open to say that Japan's remodelling of her army and construction of her navy on European lines was merely superficial. The rapidity of the Island Empire's success was so marked that it was clear that the Oriental method of warfare has given place to the new style without impairing the martial energy of the people. The eyes of the whole world were then turned to Japan, and the presence of a new factor in Far Eastern politics had to be recognised. The way in which the European Powers turned the changed state of affairs to their own advantage is too well known to require comment. Russia with her usual diplomatic ability made a substantial gain at no cost to herself. France and Germany supported her, and Great Britain looked on, while her statesmen made amiable remarks about Russia's claims to an ice-free port. Japan, however, though robbed of a large part of the spoils of victory, was henceforward in a very different position from that which she had ever occupied before, and the possibility of her alliance with any of the Powers was no longer inconceivable. There was even at this period no want of advocates for a closer union between Great Britain and Japan, but unfortunately the grossly exaggerated stories, for the most part circulated by people who had not been on the spot, of Japanese barbarity after victory had considerably weight with the home public. The events of 1900-1901 have enlightened the world as to the boasted superior humanity of European warfare, and it is not likely that critics will again have the courage to dignify the quality by such a name—to compare the behaviour of Japanese troops

The trial of Li Yung on the first five counts of the indictment against him was again continued yesterday and adjourned till to-day.

To-morrow and Sunday being days allotted to the Field Battery (Hongkong Volunteer Corps) for the monthly shoot, the range at Tai-Hang will be open for individual practice on 200, 500 and 800 yards. The 250 yards' range will be closed at 10 a.m. on each day, and, if necessary, will be opened again after all have shot at 600 yards.

We learn definitely that Mr. R. D. Ormsby has given up the post of Director of Public Works in Hongkong, having sent in his resignation to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, by whom it has been accepted. Mr. Ormsby came to Hongkong first as Director of Public Works in succession to Mr. F. A. Coope in 1897, after 35 years in Government service in Ceylon. Mr. Ormsby may certainly claim therefore to deserve a rest from public works.

There arrived by the N.Y.K. steamer *Sado Maru* on the 7th inst. at 10 p.m., sixty-seven specially selected Siberian dogs for the German Antarctic Expedition. The dogs were shipped at Vladivostok in a German vessel for Moji, and transhipped at Moji to the *Sado Maru* for Hongkong en route to New Zealand, where they join the Expedition. At present the dogs are recuperating at Mr. Kennedy's stables at Causeway Bay, under the charge of three Russian keepers. Mr. Kennedy informs us that the dogs are in splendid condition, though greatly affected by the unaccustomed heat.

The telegram which we publish in another column, dated London, 24th July, about the honours for the China Expedition, is yet another of those which Reuter apparently imagines have no interest for residents in the Far East. Or is it the question of expense alone which influences Reuter?

Mr. W. C. Barlow, M.A., one of the Assistant Masters at Queen's College, and now at home on leave, will not return to the Colony. The Colonial Office consulting physician, Dr. P. Manson, says that he is not well enough to resume his duties, and Dowling Street has retired him. We hope Mr. Barlow will long enjoy the pension which he is entitled to draw.

From a *Government Gazette Extraordinary* it appears that the Colonial Secretary has been notified by the Assistant Secretary to the Bengal Government that owing to an outbreak of plague in Tongkah, south of Victoria Point, in Siamese territory, Tongkah has been declared an infected port and the prescribed regulations will be enforced against arrivals thereto from Bengal Presidency.

The farmers in the Foochow neighbourhood, according to the local *Echo*, have had another week of fine weather to gather in their rice crops. The work, however, is barely finished before they begin to dry out for rain for the benefit of the second crop. Every irrigating machine is kept constantly going, but the absorption is so great through the extreme heat of the sun during the day that it is difficult to keep the fields even moist.

The *Asian* contains a special telegram giving the result (which we have already had) and further details of the Prince of Wales' Stake. Mr. Kincaid's *Epsom Lad*, ridden by Gomez, a South American jockey, beat *Diamond Jubilee* (who ran in the name of the Duke of Devonshire), and was ridden by Juries by half a length, with Lord Cadogan's *Sidus* (Maher) four lengths off, third. Lord Rosebery's *Flambeau* by *Orifamb-Armoricana*, 5 yrs., started favourite at 2 to 1 against *Diamond Jubilee* at 3 to 4, *Sidus* at 8s., and *Epsom Lad* at 10s.

Commenting on Prince Chun's landing at Singapore on the 30th ult., the *S. F. Press* says:—"As he left the *Bayern* to go to the carriage awaiting him on the wharf, the struggle amongst the crowd of coolies and others to get a near glance of the Prince was so great that at one time it seemed as though there would be a repetition of the Hongkong incident, but the Sikhs were quite equal to the occasion, and sharp canes-cuts and strong language had the desired effect, and Prince Chun stepped into the carriage and drove off followed by others of his suite amidst a subdued roar of 'wahs'."

A Tokyo despatch to the *Osaka Asahi* in reference to the circumstances which have led to expediting the negotiations between the new Katipunan society to murder all Americans, the whole of the police, and in fact every white man, woman and child in the Philippines. It is said to have for its leaders Simon Rivera, Colonel Pauleton Torres, Captain Alberto, Major Santiago, and three others who are now held in the city-prison by the authorities pending investigation. Enough proof to hang the lot of them has been discovered, according to our Manila contemporary.

The Eastern Extension Telegraph Co.'s party to establish a station on Direction Island, one of the Cocos Group, left Singapore on the 1st inst. by the s.s. *Giang Ann*. The number comprised Mr. A. Cameron (Superintendent), Messrs. A. E. Spriggs, J. Ingram, A. Macarthur, and J. Wishart, and about thirty Asiatics. There are at present no buildings on Direction Island and the *Giang Ann* is conveying thither materials for erecting temporary quarters, etc., also stores and provisions, to last the party during the remainder of the present year. The station will be a connecting link in the cable between West Australia and the Cape, and the ships engaged in the work of laying that cable, the *Scotia* and the *Anglia*, are expected at Direction Island some time during September. These vessels will also bring out supplies and building materials from home for the station, which, it is expected, will be augmented later on, as regards staff, etc.

The Australian Vandeville and Specialty Company continues to attract a large number of people to the City Hall, the lower part of the house being filled night after night. On Wednesday another complete change of programme was given, and the same bill was repeated yesterday. It was evidently much appreciated by an enthusiastic audience, who continually demanded encores. At times the calls were rather too numerous and must have been very trying to the performers, who, in spite of the heat, gladly did their best to comply. Special mention must be made of Professor Davis's clever performance illustrating "how modern ghosts are raised," which was really a bewildering spectacle. It is a variation of the "cabinet" trick but is considerably elaborated and very effective. Altogether the present programme is a good and attractive one, and those who have not yet been to see it would do well not to miss the opportunity to-night, when it will be given for the last time. For to-morrow night the management announces another change of programme, when new songs, new dances and new sketches, in fact everything new, will be introduced to the public.

There is an agitation now on in Manila to tear down the historic walls of the old city for business reasons.

The hearing of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank robbery case at Singapore has been postponed to the next assizes.

Mr. R. G. Watson's name is mentioned at Kuala Lumpur in connection with the Acting-Secretaryship for Chinese Affairs F.M.S., when Mr. G. T. Bare proceeds on long leave.

The insurgents in Cuba are apparently making things lively still. Attacking the native scouts, cutting their throats at night, storming police-stations and killing policemen are but a few of the pastimes they indulge in.

The military telegraph and cable lines in the Philippines are now open to the public. The charges are very reasonable, two cents, gold, being charged per word for transmission from one point of each island to another, and four cents between the different islands.

The fanatic who, as we reported a few days ago, attacked a battery of the Garrison Artillery at Quetta, states that he murdered a relative in his village, and the Mulish cast him out, saying he must kill a number of Kaffirs before his crime could be condoned.

U.S. Paymaster's funds are said to have been robbed from the guardhouse at Santa Cruz, P.I., but the actual amount is not known, as the sergeant of the guardhouse was drunk while the money was in his custody. It seems that government funds are handled with great carelessness in that part of the world.

A St. Petersburg despatch (according to a Havas telegram of the 1st inst.) reports that a Russian expedition to Tibet, under the command of Lieutenant Kozlov, was attacked by 2,000 Tanguts and cut to pieces, in spite of a most determined resistance. We wonder whether this expedition was approved by Prince Ukhomsky and whether it was of a "purely scientific" character.

The surveying vessel *Rambler* arrived at Colombo on the 21st ult. from Europe for the Straits and China, and sprang a leak there which gave some trouble before it was repaired. The *Rambler*, which has not been docked for years, is twenty-one years old. After her last survey in the West Indies, she was found to be in a bad state, and on the way out to Colombo was temporarily repaired at Malta. She was to leave Colombo on the 25th ult.

The big mechanics' strike in the United States has crippled the transport service of the quarter-master's department. The transportation authorities of Manila have over 300 applications for first-class passages, mostly from volunteer officers who were mustered out on 30th June. As no vessels are available, these officers, having to incur heavy expenses without pay, are likely soon to exhaust their resources, unless they send home for remittances.

The *New American* of Manila of the 1st inst. has a two column article about the discovery of a plot amongst the members of the new Katipunan society to murder all Americans, the whole of the police, and in fact every white man, woman and child in the Philippines. It is said to have for its leaders Simon Rivera, Colonel Pauleton Torres, Captain Alberto, Major Santiago, and three others who are now held in the city-prison by the authorities pending investigation. Enough proof to hang the lot of them has been discovered, according to our Manila contemporary.

A Washington telegram of the 7th ult. says:—"Americans fighting in the Boer armies made prisoners by the British will have to endure captivity until the close of the South African war. Great Britain has declined to comply with the request of this Government to release an American now confined in the island of Ceylon, and this refusal will probably prove a bar to further representations by the State Department on behalf of Americans captured as belligerents in South Africa. The test is that of a naturalized American named Morgan, who claims residence in Virginia. Lord Milner, British High Commissioner in South Africa, disapproves of the release of foreigners who fought with the Boers. He has announced that a person who serves as a belligerent with the Boer forces loses his nationality and must be treated as an enemy. This view is concurred in by the legal officers of the State Department. The Department is satisfied from investigations made by American Consuls and British authorities that all reports that the British are ill-treating their prisoners are without foundation. The only hardship that Americans captured in South Africa will have to undergo will be that of confinement until hostilities cease."

The *Straits Times* of the 1st inst. says:—"We learn that the cricket team representing the Straits in Hongkong is expected to leave here for the northern port about the 30th or 31st of October next, arriving in Hongkong about the 7th or 8th November. The first cricket match will take place a few days after Hongkong have also asked the Straits to play them at lawn tennis, and this has been agreed to. It is too early yet to state who are likely to be the 'probables' for the Straits team, but the work of selection will be taken in hand as soon as possible. The team is to represent the Straits as a whole, and the selection of the team will be made in the same manner as on previous occasions, viz.—The Native States and Penang will furnish the names of thirteen cricketers, together with their various qualifications, to the committee of the Singapore Cricket Club, and the final selection will be made by them. The Straits team will play their own passages to China." The *Straits Times* adds:—"The committee of the S.C.C. have invited Hongkong and Ceylon to send cricket teams here next Chinese New Year, the arrangements to be on the same lines as in 1891. Answers are expected from Hongkong and Ceylon shortly."

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TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

London, 7th August, 3 p.m.

LORD SALISBURY'S LIMITATIONS

OF KNOWLEDGE.

Lord Salisbury replied to Lord Spencer in the House of Lords yesterday that he was unaware that Germany had declared Manchuria to be outside the provisions of the Anglo-German agreement concerning China.

THE TROOPS IN CHINA.

Lord Lansdowne stated that the total number of troops in China was being reduced to 13,000, the British numbering 4,100.

ANGLO-JAPANESE RELATIONS.

Lord Lansdowne entirely concurred with Lord Spencer as to the importance of Japan in the Far East and the necessity of maintaining most cordial relations with her.

He said, he was all the more easy inasmuch as the Japanese policy was similar to the British.

GENERAL NEWS.

London, 7th August, 3 p.m.

THE MARKETS.

Cotton at Liverpool is in moderate request. There has been a slight decline in yarns. Cloth is unchanged.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

London, 6th August.

ENGLAND AND GERMANY.

The English and German Press refer to the common mourning again uniting the two peoples.

SOUTH AFRICA—ATTACK ON A CAMP.

Commandant Fouche attacked the Aliwal refugee camp, numbering in all 689 male refugees, who, with the exception of four, declined to join his commando. The peace movement is spreading rapidly among the refugee camps in the Orange River Colony.

London, 6th August.

THE LATE EMPRESS FREDERICK.

The death of the late Empress Frederick has evoked widespread sympathy with King Edward and the German Emperor.

The Australian Parliaments have voted addresses of condolence.

CLOSE OF THE NAVAL MANOEUVRES.

The Naval manoeuvres have closed with an important battle of the Lizard. The result has been referred to the umpires.

CHINA—A STOPPAGE IN NEOTRIALS.

Sir Ernest Satow, British Minister at Peking, has notified his colleagues that England is unable to sign the Protocol. The reasons are not stated.

POLICE COURT.

Thursday, 8th August.

BEFORE MR. KEMP.

DRUNK AND DISOBEDIENT.

Private Michael Nolan, of the Siege Train contingent, was charged, firstly, with being drunk and disorderly; secondly, with assaulting the police; and thirdly, with wilfully destroying a bucket, the property of the Government.

On the first and second charges Nolan was fined \$5 each, which he paid. On the third charge he was fined \$5 or seven days, and \$1.50 for the value of the bucket destroyed. The \$1.50 was paid, but not the \$5. The military authorities preferring that defendant should be locked up for seven days for safekeeping, until the contingent to which defendant belongs leave the Colony.

THEFT OF zinc.

A Chinaman was convicted of the theft of a zinc plate belonging to the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., and received one month's hard labour.

CHARGE OF MURDER AGAINST A POLICE SERGEANT.

Chinese Police Sergeant No. 54 was charged with beating and ill-treating a prisoner while in his custody, from the effects of which the man died.

Mr. Badeler, Assistant Superintendent of Police, was present on behalf of his department.

Mr. Master, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for the defence.

The case arose out of a fight between two Chinese clowns who had taken out cross summons against each other. Deceased was a member of one clan against whom a warrant was issued, and defendant was entrusted with the execution of the same.

The first witness called was a Chinese hawker of Second Street, who deposed that, while on his way to the Kwan Wan Hing shop to pay his account, he saw defendant leading his prisoner along. Defendant dragged prisoner. The latter did not hold back, but defendant was walking fast. About ten men were following defendant and his prisoner. Witness went to pay his account of sixty cents, and when he came out of the shop he found a big crowd in front of the Teu Long Tung brother. He did not know the name of the street. He went amongst the crowd and saw defendant press prisoner down on to the ground and kick him twice. He then pulled the man up by his queue, took his truncheon from his right side and struck the prisoner three or four blows on the chest. The latter crossed his arms over the chest, whereupon defendant struck him two more blows on the arms, and then marched him off to the police station.

Witness was subjected to a lengthy cross-examination, but nothing new could be gleaned.

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military almost every unit has got a superior officer immediately over him; these men have not. Therefore I say you want a better class of men than you have for the garrison, police, or military.

After further remarks from Mr. MAY the motion was put to the meeting and carried. Mr. Osborne voted against it.

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS.

A reply was submitted from Government relative to the Board's recommendations regarding the enforcement of the law bearing on the registration of births. The reply, which was dated 3rd August, was to the effect that "the Registrar-General will issue a notice calling attention to the law bearing on the registration of births, and will instruct the district watchmen to bring to notice cases of its infraction, while the Captain Superintendent of Police will instruct the police to endeavour to obtain evidence on which to prosecute cases of infraction."

The papers were laid on the table.

ADDITIONAL MARKETS, LATINES, AND URINAI.

Mr. OSBORNE, pursuant to notice, asked for the production by the Medical Officer of Health, or by the Secretary, of a statement showing what recommendations the Board and its officers have made during the past two years in respect of the following matters, and how far such recommendations have been carried out:—

1. Additional markets.

2. Additional public latrines.

3. Additional public urinals.

A statement had been prepared by Dr. Clark and the Secretary dealing at length with the recommendations of the Board in the matters referred to by Mr. Osborne.

Markets.—Under this heading it was shown that—Western market was extensively repaired in 1897. New Western market commenced in 1901. Plan of new Saipungpo Market approved by Board in October, 1895; not built. Plans for extension of Shaukwan Market approved by Board in November, 1895; small matched extension erected in 1897. Plan of a new market at Taikoo approved by the Board 30th June, 1898; now market opened 1st January, 1899. Plans for extension of Wanchoi Market approved by Board 11th July, 1901. Erection of new market at Kowloon Point estimated to cost \$81,000, and \$5,000 voted for preparation of site this year. Plans of additional temporary markets for city approved by Board 11th July, 1901. Expenditure approved in connection with additional stalls for Sakonpo market. Expenditure approved in connection with eight additional stalls to Yaumaf Market 26th June, 1901.

Latrines and Urinals.—A glance at the details given under this head shows that the Board has not been much either in making recommendations or in carrying them out. Ten thousand dollars for additional urinals and \$12,000 for additional latrines is to be inserted in the estimate for 1902.

Mr. OSBORNE said—This motion had its origin in consequence of certain statements that are made in memorandum or petition dated 20th June, 1901, which was drawn up and sent to the Government, and has since been made public. I consider that there are statements in that memorandum which are not in accordance with facts, and other statements which are misleading, and it was my first intention to call for a complete list of the whole of the recommendations of the Sanitary Board for the past ten years, and side by side in parallel columns to give a list of those that have been given off, to. But that would have involved a vast amount of work, and I limited my motion to these three important items. This return I don't propose to speak upon at the present moment, as I shall have an opportunity later on of embodying it in a communication I intend to make to the Governor on the statements made in that memorandum—statements which reflect on the Sanitary Board and which impute negligence to the Board in the conduct of the sanitary affairs of this colony. I now move that this return be printed and circulated, and copies sent for the information of H.E. the Governor.

Dr. CLARK—I beg to second Mr. OSBORNE's motion. I am personally prepared to vouch for the inaccuracy of some of the statements made in the memorandum. In particular, a reference is made to myself in one of these statements which practically implies—

The PRESIDENT—Excuse me, you are getting away from the point.

Dr. CLARK—Well, I beg to second the resolution.

Mr. MAY—It is somewhat peculiar to hear Mr. OSBORNE objecting to the Sanitary Board being called inefficient, and its working in general called into question, seeing he is one of the signatories to the petition to the Secretary of State—a petition which stated that nothing had been done in sanitary matters for twenty years, and which blames the Sanitary Board, blames the Government, and blames everyone who has anything to do with the Sanitary affairs of the colony.

Mr. OSBORNE—who had been looking over the statement drawn up in reply to his question, here rose and objected to the form it had taken. It would convey absolutely nothing to the public, he said, and he wanted as much publicity given to the statement as had been given to the memorandum. "The return I have asked for," Mr. OSBORNE concluded, "is a statement showing what recommendations the Board and its officers have made during the last ten years. This is a statement merely showing a summary of these recommendations."

The PRESIDENT—It is a statement of the matter in a condensed form. I am afraid you give to the public of Hongkong credit for a great deal more interest in sanitary matters than they really possess.

Mr. OSBORNE—If you imagine they are going to sit down and wade through pages or extracts of Sanitary Board minutes and recommendations, and so on, I am bound to say that I do not think your expectations will be realized.

Mr. OSBORNE's motion was then put to the meeting and carried.

PROPOSED NEW LATRINE.

Mr. CLARK, pursuant to notice, moved that the Board beg to recommend that a public latrine of forty seats be erected on that site of Crown land which is situated on the west side of Gillies Avenue, Hongkong, and to the south of Hunstanton Road.

The PRESIDENT seconded, and the motion was carried.

CLEANING OF CHINESE HOUSES.

Further correspondence was laid on the table dealing with the cleaning of Chinese houses. The file had been referred back to the Board by H.E. the Governor with reference to a minute by Mr. A. W. Brown, Inspector General. The minute, which was dated 16th July, and was addressed to the Colonial Secretary, was as follows:—"The general cleaning you referred to in your minute of 3rd July, 1901, was carried out every six months at times selected by the Registrar-General in order to suit the Chinese. It was not compulsory, but was very effective. At last meeting I tried to persuade the Board to encourage these half yearly cleanings, but was unsuccessful. The points about the general cleanings were that (1) as a result of the sale of coal have been burnt in manufacturing LEMCO to fill the little earthenware pots known everywhere. LEMCO is the genuine Liebig Company's Extract."

special cleansing (2) the times selected were suited to the idiosyncrasies of the Chinese (3), the cleaning throughout the City was simultaneous. In my opinion, the action which the Board invites me to take will have no useful result. The whitewashing in each district is spread over two months; these are therefore no simultaneous cleanings; and any notices issued by the Registrar-General will not fall part, as it were, but may refer to something which is to happen in a month or six weeks. Further, the times selected in each district are those which suit the Board and not the Chinese population. The Registrar-General's notices would be issued six times a year instead of twice, and would therefore lose much of their force."

MESSES. BUTTERFIELD AND SWIRE'S PLAGUE HOSPITAL—INSPECTOR ROBERTSON'S REPORT.

Correspondence was submitted from Messrs. Butterfield and Swire relative to Inspector Robertson's report on their letter dated 10th June. I hat letter, it may be remembered, contained reference to a "distressing incident" connected with the death of a woman at Quarry Bay, whose body was removed to Kennedytown by the Sanitary Board officials during the absence of the husband, who had gone to procure a coffin and bearers.

Briefly, Inspector Robertson's report was to the following effect:—(1) The woman died in the hospital, and not at Quarry Bay. (2) The body was removed by the hospital officials.

In their reply to that report, Messrs. Butterfield and Swire forwarded to the Board a copy of statements made by Dr. Kwan, who saw the body of the deceased woman, Mr. Chan Fai Kwong, a student at the Quarry Bay hospital, and Mr. George Morphew, also connected with the hospital, both of whom were aware of the circumstances connected with the removal of the body. Mr. Chan Fai Kwong stated that he told an Indian sergeant who wanted to remove the body that he could not do it unless he had the husband's permission. The sergeant answered—"Never mind the husband; if he comes tell me that I removed the body."

Mr. Morphew, in bearing out this statement, said that when he arrived at the hospital he was told that the sergeant insisted on taking the bodies away, and that the student in charge, seeing that further protests were useless, gave the cooler the two slips of paper that are usually attached to bodies taken away.

The Secretary minuted that he did not see that the correspondence submitted by Messrs. Butterfield and Swire proved that Inspector Robertson's report was not in accordance with facts.

Mr. May minuted: "It is perfectly clear that the bodies were not removed by the S.B. officials in the distressing manner described in Messrs. B. & S.'s hysterical letter to the Press (sic). But they haven't the courage to admit it."

SANITARY SURVEYOR'S APPLICATION FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

It was intimated that H. E. the Governor had approved an application from Mr. J. W. Bryan, Sanitary Surveyor, for seven weeks leave of absence.

Mr. Bryan stated in his letter to the Board that since his arrival in the Colony in August, 1897, he had only had five days' leave, that he usually had to work on Bank and Government holidays, and that for the last two months he had been under the treatment of Dr. Lamont for nervous debility.

Mr. Clark has agreed to assume Mr. Bryan's duties during his absence from the Colony.

Mr. Clark minuted: "It will be necessary for the Board to appoint me temporarily as the officer authorized to certify that new buildings are built in accordance with the provisions of the P.M.O."

On the motion of the PRESIDENT, Dr. Clark was appointed to fill temporarily Mr. Bryan's office.

PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES.

Mr. F. Browne, the Government Analyst's report on the public water supplies for the month of July were laid on the table. Three samples were analysed—one from the Pokfulam service (pumping station, Bonham Road West), one from the Tytan service (Hollywood Road) and one from the Kowloon service (Chater Road). The results show that the water in each case is of excellent quality.

LIMEWASHING BETRAY.

The limewashing return for the fortnight ended 6th August was laid on the table. There were no remarks.

This was all the business.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

BROKERAGE IN HONGKONG.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

8th August.

SIR.—There is an interesting leading article in the *North-China Daily News* of 30th July on the commission charged by sharebrokers there, but the writer of that article evidently has not studied the Hongkong scale or he would not have written as follows:—

"There is no place under the sun where such a high brokerage obtains as in Shanghai; certainly none where the recompense is less commensurate with the work actually done."

In Shanghai the commission charged is 1 per cent. to the seller only, but that is nothing compared to the commission charged here on many stocks—take a few examples:—

Market	Brokerage buying value.	Brokerage selling value.
Jelbus	\$ 4.50	10 cents each way
China Providents	\$ 9.75	10 "
Watsons	\$ 16	15 "
Rauts	\$ 12.50	20 "
Green Islands	\$ 21	25 "
China Trades	\$ 30	50 "

Mr. the broker charging brokerage to both buyer and seller makes 2 per cent. to 4 per cent. on a deal before the principal can make a profit.

The scale is absurd and, as the Shanghai writer states, "the sharebroker there fattens on his 1 per cent. commission from the original seller and a possible second commission of 1 per cent. on the resale, to say nothing of future possibilities in brokerage from a diligent tracking of these identical shares," what unnecessary profits the sharebroker here must be making at the expense of the general public when chasing round the town a few hundred Provinces, Jelbus, and such stocks!

I am well aware that no broker in Hongkong may consider himself underpaid when putting through transactions in Docks, Banks, Lands, Unions and few other big stocks, but as a rule here he makes a good deal more than 1 per cent.

DURING THE PAST 36 YEARS 500,000 tons of coal have been burnt in manufacturing LEMCO to fill the little earthenware pots

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LIEBIG COMPANY'S EXTRACT.

commission on his transactions, and the principal who takes a moderate risk and, only looks forward to a moderate profit is a good deal worse off here than in Shanghai.

There is a remedy, of course, for the principal, and that is to have the small stocks alone as much as possible, as other things being equal, it is distinctly more favourable to the investor to buy (say) 10 Docks, value \$3,000, and pay \$10 brokerage, when buying and selling, than to buy (say) 250 Electric, value \$3,000, and pay \$75 brokerage.

The scale here, of course, is absurd and why do we not pay a fixed percentage as elsewhere? 1 per cent. to the seller only on small transactions and 1 per cent. on large transactions should be a good and fair remuneration to the broker, and I think it is quite time the Chamber of Commerce should insist on a more equitable scale.—Yours, etc.,

INVESTOR.

THE GREAT FIRE AT FOOCHOW.

A fire broke out at about one o'clock yesterday afternoon (26th July), in the centre of the foreign business quarter, which proved to be most serious in its consequences. Commencing in a shoe-maker's shop it spread to the largest rice shop in the street and a high wind blowing at the time, it was not long in burning out the rest of the shops in the street as far as Messrs. Gilman & Co.'s godowns to the eastward, and completely gutting the premises of Messrs. John Gittins & Co., Messrs. Odell & Co., Messrs. Robert Anderson & Co., Messrs. Fraser, Ramsay & Co., Messrs. F. Cave-Thomas & Co., the old E. Lo Hong, Messrs. John Gittins & Co.'s late Hong, and the Chartered Bank offices. Messrs. Gilman & Co.'s offices were burnt down, but their godowns escaped. By six o'clock the fire was practically over, but the destruction of property occasioned by it during these five hours was terrible. The loss of property is estimated at about \$300,000. Occurring at this season of the year it will be a great inconvenience to those firms who have been affected by it.

There were some extraordinary escapes from this fire. Messrs. Sutherland & Co.'s Hong, situated not far from the burning shops in the river-side street and closer still to the offices of Messrs. Odell & Co., which were all ablaze, were not touched. And then Messrs. Siemens & Krohn's premises. Mr. Siemens thought that they were no longer threatened when the street fire was arrested by Messrs. Gilman & Co.'s fire-wall on the south side of the street, when suddenly a large burning Ningpo junk stranded to the eastward of Messrs. Gilman & Co.'s offices, which were on the north and river side of the street, placing his Hong in jeopardy, for the wind and flames were playing direct on his Hong, but the wind changed suddenly and his property was saved.

We learn of many harrowing details which may interest our readers. One we will mention to show what risks the Chinese will run in their greed of gain. On the roof of a small godown beneath the larger building in Messrs. Fraser, Ramsay & Co.'s premises some twenty men were seen by a party of foreign ladies and gentlemen from a close point of vantage, handing along goods by which they hoped to profit, when suddenly the wall of the larger building fell on them. Six were seen to come out, the others probably were killed or were too seriously wounded to move. Certain it is that at an early hour in the afternoon we heard of too many cases of fractured limbs and burnt bodies having been taken to the Foochow Native Hospital. Then the ordinary looters, no doubt, a bad lot always present at fires, fared badly at the hands of the soldiers. The whole street was teeming with them. They were shown no mercy, for nothing short of sword cuts in the upper arm would induce them to part with their loot. The gentry will not be so eager to attend fires in the future.

The Provincial authorities were kind and most helpful not only in sending in soldiers to preserve law and order as far as possible, but in sending in their fire engines ably manned.

FOOCHEW NATIVE HOSPITAL.

THE FAR EAST.

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London, 24th July.

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The Gazette in connection with the China expedition has been published.

SIR CLAUDE MACDONALD, COLONEL REID, BARROW AND DORWICH AND SIR PERIBAL SINGH ARE APPOINTED KNIGHTS COMMANDER OF THE BATH.

SIR NORMAN STEWART, GENERAL CUMMINGS, GENERAL LORN, CAMPBELL, COLONEL BOEKY, COLONEL GARTSIDE, TIPPING AND COLONEL BERTRAM AND MAJORS BOND AND RAMSEY ARE APPOINTED COMMISSIONERS OF THE BATH.

COLONEL GASCOIGNE IS APPOINTED KNIGHT COMMANDER OF ST. MICHAEL AND OF GEORGE.

COMMANDER ELDERSON, ROYAL INDIAN MARINES, MAJOR JOHNSON, ROYAL ARTILLERY, MAJOR PEREIRA, GRANDIER GUARDS, CAPTAINS PHILLIPS, GRIFFIN AND RODFORD, LIEUTENANTS GAUNSEN AND BAINBRIDGE, INDIAN STAFF CORPS, CAPTAIN PELL, THE QUEEN'S, CAPTAIN POOLE, EAST YORKSHIRES, AND CAPTAIN WALVYN, WEL

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Hongkong, 9th August, 1901. [2022]

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TURNER & CO.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1901. [2021]

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 9th August, 1901. [2023]

TO LET.

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Hongkong, 9th August, 1901. [2024]

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Hongkong, 9th August, 1901. [2027]

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Hongkong, 9th August, 1901. [2026]

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Hongkong, 9th August, 1901. [2025]

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The Axions Side of the Situation.

The Imperial Succession.

Anglo-Japanese Relations.

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The Pacific Cable.

Swatow's Trade in 1900.

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The Insanitary Condition of Hongkong.

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NOTICE OF FIRM

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TURNER & CO.
Hongkong, 25th July, 1901. [1874]

TO LET.

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"FERNSIDE," No. 37, ROBINSON ROAD.
Apply to— S. A. RAMJAHN,
Care of Thomas's Grill Room.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1901. [1873]

TO LET.

NO. 8A, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
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Hongkong, 9th July, 1901. [1733]

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TWO FURNISHED ROOMS, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, NO. 72.
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Hongkong, 29th July, 1901. [1887]

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Hongkong, 26th July, 1901. [1876]

TO LET.

A HOUSE in RIFTON TERRACE.
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"THE RETREAT," MOUNT KELLET.
Apply to— THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 13th July, 1901. [60]

TO LET.

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE, the PEAK.
Apply to— THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.
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GODOWN, NO. 53, DUDDELL STREET.
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Hongkong, 5th July, 1901. [1692]

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Hongkong, 25th July, 1901. [1867]

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"FASTLEY," UPPER RICHMOND ROAD, and Nos. 3, 5 and 6, RICHMOND TERRACE.
Apply to— LAU CHU PAK,
Care of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1901. [1885]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

MRS. GILLANDERS
"GLENWOOD,"
21, CAINE ROAD.
Hongkong, 20th September, 1900. [889]

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1882.

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Hongkong, 8th August, 1901. [2012]

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

NEW WONDERS OF THE EARTH VALLEY—ANOTHER SUBSTITUTE FOR THE HORSE—ECONOMY OF FORCED DRAFT—THE NEW ELECTRIC STORAGE—VALUABLE PLANTS OF TIBET—A NEW REMEDY FOR VETERINARIANS—THE PHONOGRAPH—HUMAN ELECTRIC CITY—EGG PRESERVES.

The explorers who were led to investigate the marine-like fauna of Lake Tanganyika have made an interesting report. The great rift valley that crosses East Africa rises just north of Tanganyika into a barrier that once formed part of the divide between the drainage systems of the Nile and the Congo, but a group of large active volcanoes 50 miles further north one of them 13,000 feet high, have built a second barrier across the valley, and turned southward the waters of Lake Kivu, raising its surface nearly 2,000 feet. Its present outlet, Rusizi River, reaches Tanganyika after falling over numerous cataracts. The fauna of Lake Kivu is almost completely identical with that of the Nyamazu to the north, proving that it must once have been tributary to the Nile, and the change in its outlet was doubtless made before its waters were reached by a fish that is characteristic of the Congo basin.

The domestication of the zebra in East Africa is urged by Mr. R. J. Storck. His plan is to capture a herd of fifty or more of the animals, and to begin his experiment with the young bred in captivity. He believes the first generation would become accustomed to man, while the second would be more domesticated and useful. The zebra is immune to the tsetse-fly disease and horse-sickness, and would doubtless be of service to the army in India as well as for work in Africa.

Remarkable results have been reported from a change of natural to forced draft on a steamship. Two Scotch boilers are now doing the work that formerly required four, the saving of coal is four tons per day although the average revolutions have increased three per minute, and considerable space has been gained for freight.

A part of the solar corona having the brightness of the full moon has been found by Prof. Langley to have only one-hundredth the effect on the bolometer. He infers that the radiations of the inner corona are not those of a hot, solid or gaseous body.

The positive and negative plates of the new Edison storage battery are mechanically alike, and scarcely to be distinguished by the eye. Each consists of a window-frame-like grid stamped from a sheet of steel one-fortieth of an inch thick, with the openings filled with shallow perforated steel boxes containing the active material. This material is a compound of iron for the negative pole or positive element, and a superoxide of nickel for the positive pole or negative element; and each substance is mixed in finely divided form with a nearly equal bulk of flakes of graphite. The plates are so compressed that the briquettes of active material with their steel boxes are not more than one-tenth of an inch thick. The electrolyte is a potash solution and the cell is of steel—a suitable number of the positive and negative plates being placed in this and separated by thin sheets of hard rubber. In charging the cell, oxygen is transferred from the iron to the nickel while discharging restores the oxygen to the iron. The chief advantages claimed over the lead battery are a reduction of more than half of the weight for the same storage capacity, rapid charging, and lessened deterioration and risk of injury.

Tannoferm, first prepared about six years ago, is a condensation product of tannic acid and formic aldehyde, and combines the astrin-gent action of the former with the antiseptic properties of the latter. It has met with much favour as a remedy for excessive perspiration of the foot and other parts of the body, while it has proven valuable for internal use in cases of intestinal catarrh. Of late it has been attracting the attention of veterinary surgeons, who report remarkable cures of intestinal diarrhoea in young cattle, as well as good results from the antiseptic action of this substance on cuts and sores.

With an average altitude of 15,000 feet, Tibet might be expected to have a flora mostly its own. But a recent study of the collections at the Kew Herbarium has shown that of the total of 300 species from Tibet, belonging to 144 genera and 46 natural orders, only 30 species and no order seem to be peculiar to the country. Most of the orders represented are of world-wide distribution. The plants are mostly dwarf deep-rooted herbs, very few annual or single-flowering, and the single woody plant known scarcely rises above the surface of the ground.

The reproduction of speech is the somewhat unlooked-for new field of usefulness discovered for the photographic film. Herr Ruhmer finds that the most accurate and sensitive records of sound vibrations are those of photography, and that good pictures can be obtained both from the ordinary phonograph cylinder and from sensitive flames. He uses a moving film for photographing a "speaking arc" or other sensitive flame, and the sound is reproduced by projecting light with cylindrical lenses through the film upon a selenium cell in circuit with a battery and telephone. Every variation of light falling upon the selenium gives a sound in the telephone. The reproduction is claimed to be superior to that of the telephone in sensitiveness and clearness, while the film can be made of very considerable length and still be light and portable, and any number of good prints can be made from the same negative.

Numerous cases of men and women giving off electricity have been recorded, a few of these having been lately cited by Dr. H. Delamare, a

French physician. Casini, in 1777, mentioned a Russian nobleman that had the electrical properties of an electric eel. Loyer-Villerny, in 1816, told of a hysterical woman from whom the least contact drew electric sparks; and Dr. Girard, in 1866, drew attention to a woman who became an electric generator on acquiring a nervous malady at the age of 36. The most carefully observed case was described by Dr. Fére in 1898. A neurotic woman gave off sparks from her hair from the age of 14, but at 28 her fingers attracted ribbons and pieces of paper, her hair became difficult to arrange, and her clothing approached her skin with luminous crackling; then adhered closely to her body. In these human electrical machines, an abnormal dryness of the skin seems to be accompanied by a peculiar nervous condition.

In a German experiment, eggs packed in various ways last June gave the following results in February: Covered with vaseline, or kept in lime-water, or in potassium silicate solution, none spoiled; in wood-ashes, varnished, or treated with potassium permanganate, 20 per cent.; painted with collodion, or with potassium silicate, 10 per cent.; dipped a few seconds in boiling water, or in alum, 50 per cent.; kept in salt water, all spoiled.

NATURE AT HER BEST.

We love Nature! Our regard for her, with her sweet and varying moods, is undying, and our love such, that it is beyond the art of man to quench. The promise of Spring is one great message of Hope. The fragrant breath of Summer whispers "Paradise"; the mellow touch of Autumn's hand ripens recollection; and crisp, biting Winter brings merriment, ringing laughter and rosy cheeks.

But of all, Summer is most dear.

It was in Summer that Tenison found Rose, the gardener's daughter, "standing in a porch of roses." "Who had not heard of Rose, the gardener's daughter?" asks the poet.

Why did he not also find a gardener's wife, of rosy cheeks, whose buxom figure might tread with us down the aisle as a picture of what a gardener's wife, might be—not a woman languid and weary? whose plaintive cry is that "every little duty is a trouble, and takes all the joy out of life."

Such women there are, even "gardener's wives," like let us say, Mrs. Martha Herriott, whose very words we have written above. Who continues thus: "Morning, noon, and night my head was racked with pain; often for days together. I scarce got a moment's freedom from it. Sometimes, when the attacks were very severe, my left, eyeball became quite shrunk and small, and my head would swell right across the top. The pain I suffered then was intense. I cannot properly describe it, but shall never forget it so long as I live. I consulted the doctor and tried all kinds of medicine recommended by my friends, but, until I commenced taking Mother Seigel's Syrup, got no real benefit from anything."

A happy illustration is given us now of Nature quickly changing from decay to health, "for," continues Mrs. Herriott—who's address is, 24, John Street, London Road, Sheffield—"after taking it a short time, I felt much better, and the improvement continued until I was free from pain. Mother Seigel's Syrup completely cured me."

"When I am tired and worn out, after a hard day's work, nothing so soon revives me as Seigel's Syrup. It seems to strengthen every part of the body, and, indeed, a splendid tonic."

That was in the summer of 1900. And now Nature is herself again! Life is gladness

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked *E*, nearest Hongkong *H*, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon *M*, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf *L*, together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.
2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & RIG	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	COROMANDEL	Brit. str.	2 m.	F. W. Vibert, E.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 17th inst. at Noon.
LONDON	PELEUS	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 20th inst.
LONDON	STENTOR	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 23rd inst.
LIVERPOOL DIRECT	PATROULIE	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 11th inst.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	KONG ALBERT	Ger. str.	2 m.		MELCHERS & CO.	On 22nd inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	ERIDAN	Fr. str.	2 m.		MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 10th inst. at 6 P.M.
MARSEILLES & LONDON	Ristorcelli	Brit. str.	2 m.		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 11th inst.
MARSEILLES & LONDON	MALACCA	E. G. Andrews	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst. at Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, V. SPORE, &c.	KAWACHI MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	J. S. Thompson	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 12th inst.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	ACILLA	Ger. str.	2 m.	v. Döhren	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th September.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ALEXANDRIA	Ger. str.	2 m.	Roerden	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st September.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SIBIRIA	Ger. str.	2 m.	Porzelius	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 5th October.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	2 m.	Ehlers	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About 9th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARABIA	Brit. str.	2 m.	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	DODWELL, TOME & CO.	To-day.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	HUDSON	Brit. str.	2 m.	Williamson	SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	Quick despatch.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARARA	Amer. ship.	2 m.	Kendall	CARLOWITZ & CO.	Quick despatch.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	L. SCHEPP	Amer. ship.	2 m.		ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.	Quick despatch.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	I. F. CHAPMAN	Ger. str.	2 m.	First	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On or about 25th Oct.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARAGONIA	Amer. ship.	2 m.	O. P. Marshall, E.N.R.	SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	On 28th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	MANUEL LLAGUNO	Brit. str.	2 m.	G. D. Bowles, E.N.R.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 14th inst. at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	EMPRESS OF INDIA	Brit. str.	2 m.	W. Watt	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	On 27th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	TARTAR	Brit. str.	2 m.	H. Petersen	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 19th inst. at 4 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	BRAMAR	Jap. str.	2 m.	J. W. Ekstrand	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 22nd September, at 4 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KAMAKURA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 24th inst. at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KAGA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		PACIFIC MAIL S. S. CO.	On 15th inst. at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	NIPPON MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On or about 15th Sept.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	DORIC	Amer. str.	2 m.		GIB. LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 15th inst. at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	STRATHGEY	Brit. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst. at 4 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	GUTHRIE	Brit. str.	2 m.		P. & O. S. N. CO.	On or about 23rd inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KASUGA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On or about 17th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	FORMOSA	Brit. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	PEKIN	Brit. str.	2 m.		P. & O. S. N. CO.	On 16th inst. at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ICHANG	Brit. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst. at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SANUKI MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst. at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	HAKATA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th inst. at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ROSETTA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	Quick despatch.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	MIKE MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		SIEMSEN & CO.	To-day. At Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	TAIFU	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 14th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	QUANTA	Brit. str.	2 m.		GIB. LIVINGSTON & CO.	To-day. At Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KWEIYANG	Brit. str.	2 m.		McGREGOR BROS. & GOW	On 14th inst. at 4 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	EASTERN	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 11th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	GLENTURRET	Brit. str.	2 m.		P. & O. S. N. CO.	On or about 14th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	NINGO	Brit. str.	2 m.		P. & O. S. N. CO.	On or about 16th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	MAGAZON	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 24th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	PAREMATT	Brit. str.	2 m.		EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO. LTD.	Quick despatch.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	CI. NOSHIA	Brit. str.	2 m.		MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On or about 12th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	AN. AM.	Freight str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	YARIBA	Jap. str.	2 m.		MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On 14th inst., at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	MALIZBURI MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On 18th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On 11th inst., at 9 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	DALIN MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		DOUGLAS, LAPRADE & CO.	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	HAITAN	Brit. str.	2 m.		SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	To-day. At Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	PEELA	Brit. str.	2 m.		JADELINE, MATHERSON & CO.	On 16th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 16th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SUNGKANG	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 14th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	HANS MUNZELA	Brit. str.	2 m.		JADELINE, MATHERSON & CO.	On 13th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KUMSANG	Brit. str.	2 m.		CARLOWITZ & CO.	On 16th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	YAMAGUCHI MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	

SHIPPING.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"EASTERN."

Captain Ellis will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 9th inst., at NOON.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

For Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1901. [2009]

FOR CHINGKANG, SHANGHAI, CHEFOO AND NEWCHWANG.

THE Steamship

"QUARTA."

Captain Johansen will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 9th inst., at NOON, instead of as previously notified.

For Freight, apply to

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1901. [1980]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"LOONGSANG."

Captain Weigall will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 9th inst., at NOON.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers, is fitted throughout with Electric Light, and carries a Doctor.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHERSON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1901. [2008]

VESSELS IN DOCK.

8th August.

HOLSTEIN, German str., for Saigon.

GERMANY, German str., for Hokkaido.

DEVAWONSEE, German str., for Bangkok.

DR. H. J. KIAEB, Norw. str., for Chefoo.

FOOKHANG, British str., for Shanghai.

ROBT. DICKINSON, British str., for Penang.

KNIGHT COMPANION, British str., for Portland.

WHAMPOA, British str., for Foochow.

YANGTZE, British str., for Seattle.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

8th August.

ABERDEEN DOCKS.—

KOWLOON DOCKS.—Y. Sontau, Zaire, Canton River, Victoria.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Colonies, Taishan, D. J. de Austria.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Mirra*, from Balik Papan

31st July, had fine weather amongst the islands;

while crossing China Sea strong wind to fresh gale, veering from S.S.W. to W.S.W. with heavy rain, very high sea running, until within 200 miles of Hongkong, when light westerly winds and fine, clear weather and smooth seas.

The British steamer *Kunming*, from Calcutta,

Singapore 2nd inst., had light to moderate

monsoon and fine, clear weather to Cape Padarum, from thence to 24 hours from port moderate to fresh monsoon and rough following sea with showery weather; to port light to moderate N.W. wind with southerly swell and fine, clear weather.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.'S NEW YORK LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"ARARA."

Captain Williamson will be despatched for the above port on MONDAY, the 12th inst., and

will be followed by the Steamship

"ATAKA"

on or about 15th September.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1901. [1263]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"IDOMENEUS"	On 9th August.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ORESTES"	On 13th August.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AJAX"	On 20th August.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TYDEUS"	On 26th August.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PYRRHUS"	On 4th September.

HOMEBWARDS.

TO	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON	"PELEUS"	On 20th August.
LONDON	"STENOR"	On 3rd September.
LIVERPOOL DIRECT	"PATROCLUS"	On 16th August.

(Taking cargo at London Rates.) S.S. "IDOMENEUS" left Singapore on the 4th instant, a.m., and is due in Hongkong on the 9th instant a.m.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS O. S. S. Co.

Hongkong, 17th July, 1901.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

U. S. MAIL LINES

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO. OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S.S. CO.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE

VIA
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"DORIC"	THURSDAY, 15th Aug., at NOON.
"PERU"	SATURDAY, 31st Aug., at NOON.
"COPTIC"	TUESDAY, 10th Sept., at NOON.
"CITY OF PEKING"	TUESDAY, 24th Sept., at NOON.
"GAELIC"	WEDNESDAY, 2nd Oct., at NOON.
"CHINA"	SATURDAY, 19th Oct., at NOON.

THE O. & O. S. S. Co.'s Steamship "DORIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on THURSDAY, the 15th August, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Steamers of these lines pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamer, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail route from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER, and RIO GRANDE and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS, also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of 2¢ in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in United States have between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and other direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special Rates (first class only) to European Points, are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Consular Services, and European Civil Service officials located in Asia, and to European officials in the service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN POINTS, Special rates (first class only) are confined and will apply only to Missionaries, members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic officials of Governments of China and Japan.

RETURN PASSAGE.—Passengers who do not hold round-trip tickets but who have paid full first-class fare from ports of call in the Orient to the United States, Canada or Europe, and re-embark at San Francisco or Honolulu for the return voyage at any time within twelve months, will be allowed a reduction of ten per cent. from fare, San Francisco or Honolulu, to original port of embarkation.

Passengers who do not hold round-trip tickets, but who have paid full-class fare from the United States, Canada or Europe, to a port of call in Japan or China and re-embark at such port of call for return voyage at any time within twelve months, will be allowed a reduction of ten per cent. from fare to San Francisco or Honolulu.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany each shipment of Cargo or Parcel (valued at \$100 gold or over) destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Companies' Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

Merchant's Invoice will be sufficient for Cargo or Parcel (each shipment) when the value is less than \$100 U.S. gold.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

GEO. ECKLEY
ACTING AGENT.

Hongkong, 7th August, 1901.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA
(FLORIO AND RUBATTINO UNITED COMPANIES).

STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LIGURIA and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, AEGEAN, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.

Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGHDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.

THE Steamship

"BORMIDA"

Captain D. Costa, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 13th August, at NOON.

At Bombay the steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th August, 1901.

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO AND SAN FRANCISCO.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN PORTS AND HONOLULU,

THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, &c.

S.S. "STRATHGYLE" On or about 15th Sept.

THE Steamship "STRATHGYLE" will be despatched for SAN DIEGO and SAN FRANCISCO VIA MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA on about 15th September.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any port in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until the same time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Diego, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd August, 1901.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A II American ship

"L. SCHEPP"

Captain Kendall, will be ready to load on the 15th August for the above port, and will be despatched about the middle of September.

For Freight, apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 18th July 1901.

THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR TAMSUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"DAIJIN MARU."

Captain T. Ogata, will be despatched for the above ports on SUNDAY, the 18th instant, at NOON.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th August, 1901.

THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR ANPING (VIA SWATOW AND AMOY).

THE Company's Steamship

"MAIDZURU MARU."

Captain K. Sudzuki, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 21st instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,

Agents.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1901.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A II American ship

"I. F. CHAPMAN."

shortly expected here from KOBE, will load for the above port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

AHNOLD, KARBERG & CO.,

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1901.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A II American ship

"MANUEL LLAGUNO."

will load during September and October.

sailing about 25th October.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

Hongkong, 11th July, 1901.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

Neither the CAPTAINS, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crews of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

SCHEPP, American ship, C. S. Kendall.—Carlowitz & Co.

SEA WITCH, American ship, Howes.—Master

HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

Bormida, Italian str. 1,499, Costa, Aug. 5.

Carlowitz & Co.

Chowtau, German str. 1,115, Muller, Aug. 7.

Butterfield & Swire

Brasilian, British str. 4,476, Keay, Aug. 8.

Butterfield & Swire

Eastern, British steamer, 3,500, Ellis, Aug. 7.

Gibb, Livingston & Co.

Flandria, German str. 1,287, Brubnus, Aug. 8.

Siemens & Co.

Flinshire, British str. 2,476, Dwyer, July 29.

Shewan, Tomes & Co.

Glenure, British str. 3,026, Webster, Aug. 4.

McGregor Bros. & Gow

Hongkong, British str. 2,035, Peter, Aug. 8.

Chinese

Hudson, British str. 2,376, Kelley, Aug. 8.

Dodwell & Co., Limited

Kurnsang, British str. 2,076, Buller, Aug. 8.

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The Doric, with the American Mail of the 9th ult., left Shanghai on Tuesday, the 6th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here to-day.
The Yarra, with the French Mail of the 12th ult., left Singapore on Tuesday, the 6th inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 13th inst. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 8th ult.
The Nippon Maru, with the American Mail of the 17th ult., left Yokohama on Tuesday, the 6th inst., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 13th inst.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PER	DAY AND HOUR.
Canton	Hongkong	Friday, 9th, 7.30 A.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Friday	9th, 9.00 A.M.
Manila	Friday	9th, 11.00 A.M.
Luoyang	Friday	9th, 11.00 A.M.
Quarta	Friday	9th, 11.00 A.M.
Eastern	Friday	9th, 11.00 A.M.
Glenelvur	Friday	9th, 1.00 P.M.
Heungshau	Friday	9th, 1.15 P.M.
Taisang	Friday	9th, 3.00 P.M.
Maukhan	Friday	9th, 3.00 P.M.
Tungkong	Friday	9th, 3.00 P.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tuticorin	Registration	3.00 P.M.
(Late Letters 4.10 to 4.30 P.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)	(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 3.45 P.M.)	
Hongay	Stuttgart	Letters, &c., 4.00 P.M.
Cantox	Tingau	Friday, 9th, 5.00 P.M.
Manila	Patalan	Saturday, 10th, 2.00 P.M.
Samarang and Sourabaya	Pelta	Saturday, 10th, 4.00 P.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tuticorin	Circumla	1.30 P.M.
(Late Letters 4.10 to 5.00 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)	Registration	3.30 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Registration	(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 4.15 P.M.)
Shanghai	Papers	4.00 P.M.
Singapore	Letters	4.30 P.M.
Kobe and Moji	Saturday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.	
Singapore, Penang and Bombay	Saturday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.	
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Monday, 12th, 2.00 P.M.	
Tientsin	Registration	10.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO	(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)	
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)	Letters	11.00 A.M.
Manila	Papers	10.30 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tuticorin	Letters	11.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)	Registration	10.00 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)	Letters	11.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Saturday, 10th, 4.00 P.M.	
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA and VANCOUVER, B.C.	Wednesday, 14th, 11.00 A.M.	
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)	Wednesday, 14th, 4.00 P.M.	
Doric	Thursday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.	
TO-DAY.	Registration	10.00 A.M.
Variety Performance, City Hall, 9 p.m.	(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)	
TO-MORROW.	Letters	11.00 A.M.
Sale, Furniture, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 11 a.m.	Registration	10.00 A.M.

COMMERCIAL CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

8th August.

ON LONDON	Telegraphic Transfer	1/11 ⁴
Bank Bills, on demand		1/11 ⁴
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight		1/11 ⁴
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight		1/11 ⁴
Creditis, at 4 months' sight		1/11 ⁴
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight		1/11 ⁴
ON PARIS	Bank Bills, on demand	2.44
Creditis, at 4 months' sight		2.47 ⁴
ON GERMANY	On demand	1.98
ON NEW YORK	Bank Bills, on demand	.47
Creditis, 60 days' sight		.48
ON BOMBAY	Telegraphic Transfer	1434
Bank, on demand		1434
ON CALCUTTA	Telegraphic Transfer	1451
Bank, on demand		1451
ON SHANGHAI	Bank, at sight	731
Private, 30 days' sight		74
ON YOKOHAMA	On demand	6 p.c. pm.
On demand		6 p.c. pm.
ON MANILA	On demand	34 p.c. pm.
On demand		34 p.c. pm.
ON SINGAPORE	On demand	1 p.c. pm.
On demand		1 p.c. pm.
ON BATAVIA	On demand	117
On demand		117
ON HAIPHONG	On demand	12 p.c. pm.
On demand		12 p.c. pm.
ON SAIGON	On demand	13 p.c. pm.
On demand		13 p.c. pm.
ON BANGKOK	On demand	.60
On demand		.60
SOVEREIGN	Bank's Buying Rate	10.23
	Gold Leaf, 100 fine, per tael	\$55.25
	Bar Silver, per oz.	261 ¹

OPIUM.

8th August.

Quotations are:— Allow 'ce net, to 1 cent.		
Malwa New	\$54	to \$55 per picul.
Malwa Old	\$560	to \$570
Malwa Older	\$580	to \$590
P. P. per-wrapped	\$515	to
Persian fine quality	\$530	to
Persian extra fine	\$520	to
Patna New	\$565	to per chest.
Patna Old	\$575	to
Banaras New	\$5324	to
Banaras Old	\$550	to

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German Mail steamer *Stuttgart* (detained in consequence of bad weather) left Shanghai via Foochow on the 5th inst., at 1 a.m., and may be expected here on or about this morning.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer *Doric*, with mails, &c., left Shanghai for this port on the 6th inst., at 10 a.m.

The T.K.K. steamer *Nippon Maru*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 17th ult., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port on the 6th inst., a.m., via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

The P. M. steamer *Peru*, with the mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 25th ult.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. steamer *Yarra*, with the next French mail, left Singapore on the 6th inst., at 8 a.m. for this port via Saigon.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of India* left Vancouver on the 30th ult., p.m., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 6th August.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Hongkong & Sh'a...	\$125	800 p. ct. prem.
China & Japan, ordy...	24	156, sales
Natl. Bank of China...	21	25, 5s.
A. Sharpe...	28	228, buyers
Fourn. Sharpe...	21	13, sellers
Bull's Asbestos E. A...	21	81, 10.
Campbell, Moore & Co...	160	245, buyers
China-Borneo Co., Ltd...	115	388, sellers
China Light & Power Co., Ltd...	20	nominal
China Prov. L. & M...	100	93, sellers
China Sugar...	100	114, sales
Ciga. Companies...		
Alambra, Ltd...	500	\$1,000, sellers
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd...	350	500, sellers
Cotton Mills—		
Ewo...	100	114, sellers
International...	100	115, sellers
Lao Kung Mow...	100	115, sellers
Soyches...	100	380, sellers
Yanlong...	100	115, sellers
Hongkong...	100	101, sales & b'ys
Dairy Farm...	89	65, buyers
Ponwick & Co., Goo...	100	521, buyers
Green Island Compan...	100	114, buyers
H. & C. Bakery...	100	84, buyers
Hongkong & C. J...	100	84, buyers
Hongkong Electric...	100	275, buyers
H. H. L. Tramways...	100	88, buyers
Hotels & Yacht Co., Ltd...	100	110, sales & b'ys
Hongkong Hotel...	100	110, ex div. b'ys
Hongkong Ice...	100	110, 100
H. & K. Wharf & G...	100	112, 114, sellers
Hongkong Hope...	100	112, 114, sellers
H. & W. Dock...	100	115, 116, sellers
Insurance—		
Canton...	100	110, sellers
China Fire...	100	82, 85
China Traders...	100	110, sellers
Hongkong Fire...	100	110, 115, sellers
North China...	100	115, sales
Straits...	100	nominal
Union...	100	84, sellers
Yangtze...	100	115,
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land Inv...	100	112, exdiv. b'yers
Humphreys Estate...	100	113, sellers
Kowloon Land & B...	100	110, -
West Point Building...	100	111, ex div. sellers
Luzon Sugar...	100	110, sellers
Manila Invest. Co., Ltd...	100	110, nominal
Mining—		
Charbonnages...	250	1123,
Jebeba...	55	buyers
Queen's Mines, Ltd...	250	ex div. sales
Do...	55	nominal
Punjum...	50	116, sellers
Do, Proficiency...	61	114,
Raubs...	100	112, 114, buyers
New Amy Dock...	100	114, buyers
Oriente Hotel, Manila...	100	50, nominal
Robinson Piano Co., Ltd...	100	nominal
Steamship Co.—		
China and Manilla...	100	112, sellers
China Mutual Pref...	100	212,
China Ordinary...	100	212,
Do...	25	21,
Douglas Steamship...	100	554, sellers
H. & C. Canton and M...	100	115, sales
Indo-China S. N...	100	1140, sellers
Shell Transport and Tradig Co., Ltd...	100	212, 12, buyers
Star Ferry...	100	324, buyers
Tobacco Planting Co...	100	114, sellers
United Asbestos Co., Ltd...	100	114, exdiv. sellers
Universal Trading...	100	114, buyers
VEENON & SMYTH, Brokers.		

STATION.	Hour.	Barometer, rel. to sea level and 10 a.m.	Temperature.	Wind, Direction, Force.	Humidity.	Weather.

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